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**MEMORANDUM FOR:** Assistant Director, National Estimates  
Assistant Director, Scientific Intelligence  
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Assistant Director, Current Intelligence  
Assistant Director, Collection & Dissemination  
Assistant Director, Operations

**SUBJECT:** Contacts with Private Academic Institutions  
and Foundations and Scholars with Respect  
to External Research Contracts

In view of recent complications involving an external research contract, the Offices are requested to secure from the advice on the security of individuals representing academic institutions or foundations or their own research interests insofar as possible prior to discussions on external research projects. If that is not feasible such advice should be sought at least prior to any oral or written commitment.

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